

# FEDERAL BUREAU OF INVESTIGATION

Precedence: ROUTINE

Date: 01/04/2002

To: New Orleans

Attn: New Orleans

From: New Orleans

Alexandria Resident Agency  
Contact: SA [redacted]

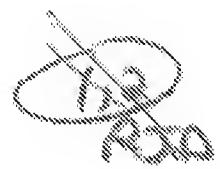
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Drafted By: [redacted]

Case ID #: 196D-NO-66829 (Pending)

Title: ~~CHANGED~~  
 OPERATION CLEAN DOLLARS;  
 WIRE FRAUD MATTER  
 OO:NO



Synopsis: Change title of case and update file.

Previous Title: Title marked "Changed" to reflect overall change from individual named subjects. Title previously carried as [redacted]

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Details: Investigation to date has identified two (2) main subjects and at least 2 probable subjects, one of which is deceased. One of these probable subjects, WADE SHIRLEY ANDREWS, aka WADE ANDREWS, DOB: 3/6/1933, SSAN 439-40-8317, FBI #425670 D, is deceased and cannot be considered a likely subject. ANDREWS wife, [redacted] may have knowledge of her husband's fraudulent history and may become a main subject as investigation progresses. The other probable subject, [redacted] will be developed as investigation progresses. It appears at this time that more than one victim exists and that more than one fraudulent scheme exists.

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[redacted] appear to have been engaged in fraudulent activities since at least the early 1990's. Retired FBI Special Agent [redacted] formerly of the Alexandria Resident Agency, investigated a wire fraud matter [redacted] in 1992 and 1993 involving [redacted] at that time was the owner [redacted]. On 5/27/1993, [redacted] interviewed [redacted] regarding a business deal involving gold bullion and the wiring of funds to bank accounts. [redacted] admitted to his participation in the deal with [redacted] aka [redacted] and that he had attempted to locate funds from investors for [redacted]. [redacted] also advised that [redacted] had been

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arrested and incarcerated for his involvement with the gold bullion deal. At that time, [ ] claimed that [ ] admitted to law enforcement officers that the gold bullion did not exist for fear of his safety. [ ] also knew [ ]

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[ ] was convicted of a wire fraud in a FBI Portland case [ ] with ties to Houston. [ ] was soliciting funds for a gold bullion investment scheme. SA [ ] Portland Division, was assigned to this matter in the early 1990's. SA [ ] will be contacted regarding any mention of [ ] in the Portland or Houston matters.

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[ ] also determined that [ ] was also involved in a fraud scheme executed by [ ] a doctor in Tampa, Florida, in which [ ] was attempting to raise funds with the help of [ ] was a subject of investigation [ ]

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A search of FBI indices also identified a reference to [ ] in a list of fraudulent cash and railroad bond program operators from the Bureau of Public Debt. A reference is made to [ ]

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[ ] in case [ ] This is a control file to collect intelligence on Prime Bank scams.

On 1/4/2002, SA [ ] spoke with [ ] of the United States Probation and Parole, Western District of Louisiana, Alexandria, Louisiana, regarding [ ]. [ ] was the probation agent assigned to handle [ ] federal probation during the 1980's. [ ] indicated that [ ] may have also been involved with BILLY SOL ESTES during the 1960's in a scheme to acquire money from individuals through loans. The individuals were lead to believe that [ ] and ESTES were in possession of large railroad tank cars full of fertilizer. The tank cars were in fact empty. [ ] and ESTES received cash loans from the investors.

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[ ] also provided SA [ ] with a photocopy of the probation card for [ ] which indicated that [ ] was placed on federal probation from 11/5/1982 until 11/4/1987 for his involvement in a wire fraud matter in Salt Lake City, Utah.

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It is anticipated that the number of victims will increase when the existence of this investigation is revealed at some point in time.